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MEMORANDUM FOR : Mr. Bissell
SUBJECT : Operational Procedures Review
REFERENCE : Your Memo 26 April 1958, same subject (CHAL-0021)

1. The Chalice SOP being planned and prepared by our Operations personnel with the Recon Office, DCS/O, Hqs, USAF, does not change our way of operating from that we have used in the past. For example, you are well aware of our using the advice of SAC as expert technical consultants on the first Klyuchi mission. On every penetration USAF has been notified, consulted with, and asked for opinions. This has been SOP for us and I presume will be reduced to writing merely to keep forgetful people in top positions at the Pentagon from casting unmeaningful stones on occasion.

2. Our Operations Section assures me that the proposed SOP will be given to you and to me before anything is finalized. Furthermore you and I both know that on any planned or executed overflight mission we are as well informed of all plans as the operations people who lay out the track, so I am certain that the chance of error is negligible.

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